

Lower Prices on Practically Every Suit, Coat and Dress in the Inventory Sale

With the greater part of winter ahead, this sale of Outer Apparel should bring hosts of shoppers who need smart, desirable garments at a fraction of its real value.

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Extra Quality Messaline Petticoats, plaited flounce, in solid and shaded color; special..... \$1.98

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Social and Personal

Most of the celebrations for to-day, New Year's Day, will take the form of receptions, and entertaining will be generally very informal. The fashion of paying New Year calls is a very old and pretty one, and the streets will be thronged all day with friends that pass from house to house with good wishes and merry greetings.

Two big receptions will take place that are actual affairs of note. At the Hermitage Golf Club, the reception will begin at 4 in the afternoon, and there will be music and informal dancing from that hour on. The committee who will receive at the Hermitage includes Mrs. Murray M. McGuire, Mrs. H. H. Meade, Mrs. Bernard Robb, Mrs. O. Baylor Hill, Mrs. Dana H. Rucker, Mrs. C. H. Gay, Mrs. W. D. Duke, Mrs. William Sullivan, Mrs. Philip E. Johnson, Mrs. G. B. Wall, Mrs. W. S. Rhodes, Miss Sophie Meredith, Miss Avis Grant, Miss Emma Gray White, Miss Mary Boyd, Miss Mary Scarborough, Miss Della Davenport, Miss Daisy Winston, Miss Phyllis Taylor, Miss Evelyn Jackson and Miss Marie Kounor.

At the Country Club of Virginia there will be no formal receiving line, and most of the guests will not arrive until late in the afternoon, remaining for the informal dance that will take place after 7 o'clock. Both clubs are decorated elaborately, in Christmas and red flowers, and buffet suppers will be served at both receptions.

Private Car Party.

William H. White carried the Governor of Virginia to Staunton in his private car last week for the Wilson celebration. Governor and Mrs. Mann were accompanied by three members of the staff, and other guests of Mr. White on the party included John Kerr Branch, Arthur Glasgow, of London, England; Mrs. Gordon Battle, Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Eliason; Luncheon was served en route, and the table was set with a silver bowl filled with poinsettias, and there were vases of red flowers placed at intervals about the car.

Entertained in Staunton.

Among the several social functions incident to the Woodrow Wilson Jubilee in Staunton on December 28 was a reception given by Armstrong, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, at his home on East Beverley Street in that city, in honor of his guests, Henry C. Stuart, George Gordon Battle and Robert L. Parrish. Some of the guests from a distance who attended the reception, which lasted from 1 o'clock to 4 o'clock P. M., were: Governor J. Taylor Eliason, E. L. Montague, John Garman Pollard, Attorney-General Samuel W. Williams, Andrew Jackson Montague, John Stewart Bryan, Colonel R. O. James, Colonel Joseph Button, George W. Colner, George W. Stinson, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company; William H. White, president of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company; Harry Frazier, and William and Harry Frazier, Jr., all of Richmond; William H. McComb, chairman of the National Democratic Party; Congressman Carter Glass, J. W. Crews, J. H. Carlisle, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company; Robert D. Davis, of Norfolk; Congressman William A. Jones, Stewart C. Gibbons, of New York City; Judge Robert L. Stout, of Kentucky; John P. East, of New York City; Dr. Richard Smith Barney, of the University of Virginia; Howard R. Bayne, of New York City; Colonel Charles E. Hoge, S. French Hoge, Rev. D. Ziegler, General Percy Haley, and Howard D. Hoge, of Frankfort, Ky.; Congressman H. H. Flood, Westmoreland Davis, Congressman Andrew J. Myers, and Congressman J. Taylor Eliason, Edmund Randolph Preston, of Charlotte, N. C.; R. Tate Irvine, of Big Stone Gap; Dr. John Page, of New York; and Walter L. McCorkle, president of the Southern Society of New York City; Dr. Baldwin, of New York City; Dr. Charles L. Cooke, Harry M. Smith, Jr., and Hiram M. Smith, of Lexington; Judge S. H. Letcher, of Lexington; Dr. George Bolling Lee, of New York City; G. Graham Coates, the artist, of New York; John Kerr Branch, of Richmond, and Arthur Glasgow, of London, England; Harold C. West, of the Baltimore Sun; Major C. D. Rhodes, U. S. A., and the officers of the U. S. Cavalry Battalion from Fort Myer.

Mr. Gordon's home friends from Staunton and Augusta attended in numbers, and during the day perhaps as many as 400 visitors were the recipients of his hospitality.

Attending House Party.

Miss Mamie Blackburne, of this city, left Lynchburg on Monday for Charlottesville, where she is attending a house party given by Misses Cora and Ethel Purvis at their home in that place. Miss Blackburne has been the recent guest of the Misses Horner in Lynchburg.

Stay-at-Home Whist Club.

The Stay-at-Home Whist Club met on Monday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Wilmer, on West Grace Street. Mrs. Wilmer and Mrs. Bland Spottswood Smith made the highest score during the evening. The club will meet as usual on next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. C. W. P. Brock, 266 East Franklin Street.

Card Party Friday.

Miss Lucy Tallaferra, of 208 East Franklin Street, has issued invitations for a card party to be given at her home on the afternoon of Friday, January 3, at 4 o'clock. Miss Tallaferra, who is a student at Sweet Briar College this session, is entertaining in honor of one of the debutantes of the season, Miss Evelyn Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Jackson.

Suffrage Meetings.

Mrs. W. E. Harris will preside on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in headquarters hall of the Equal Suffrage League of Virginia, when a public address will be given by John G. Pollard. Mr. Pollard's subject will be "The Laws of Virginia Just to Women?" On Friday evening at 8 o'clock a suffrage meeting will be held in Barton Heights Hall. The speakers on this occasion will be Dr. and Mrs. Roy F. Flanagan, Miss Adele Clarke and Mrs. R. B. Valentine.

Recent Announcements.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franklin Ray, of Washington, announce the marriage of their daughter, Minnie Isabel, to Thomas J. Williams, of this city. The bride is a sister of Mrs. George Allen Rader.

Mr. and Mrs. David Strauss announce the engagement of their daughter, Estelle, to Louis Jandorf, of Baltimore. No date has been set for the marriage.

Regular Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of managers of the Virginia Home for Incurables will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the home. All members of the board are urged to be present, as much business of importance will be discussed at this meeting.

Miss Rupprecht Entertained.

Miss Rupprecht, popular in Baltimore society, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George W. Baskin, of Highland Park.

In and Out of Town.

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PERKINS, Rev. W. A. Jeffries, of Rutherford, N. J., officiating.

The party was decorated with potted plants and evergreens. The bride party entered to the strains of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," followed by Mrs. F. Campbell. The bride was attired in a handsome silk dress, with chiffon and pearl trimmings, and wore pearls and brilliants in her hair. The groom wore a tuxedo, and the bridesmaids wore gowns of white silk.

After the ceremony a substantial repast was served.

Lacy-Goodrick.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)—Fredericksburg, Va., December 31.—William Jones Lacy, of Grand Junction, Col., and Miss Nora Elizabeth Goodrick, daughter of Mr. William Goodrick, of this city, were married here this evening at the home of the bride's mother, Rev. R. C. K. Nelson, D. D., Bishop of Atlanta, Ga.

The bride wore a costume of white tulle, with a high collar and long sleeves. The groom wore a tuxedo. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. C. K. Nelson.

The bride's father, Mr. William Goodrick, of this city, acted as best man.

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BY LA MARQUE DE FONTENAY.

OF all British tribunals, the one about which the least is known, is undoubtedly that officially entitled "The Committee for Privileges of the House of Lords."

possibly because no mention can be found thereof in the standard works of reference dealing with the English judiciary. Its name, however, has occurred frequently of late in the newspapers on both sides of the Atlantic in connection with the hearing of claims to peerages that are dormant, in abeyance, or in alleged wrongful possession. Yet it is a very important tribunal, its duties consisting of determining who shall and who shall not be entitled to vote directly as a peer of the United Kingdom, or of England alone, or indirectly as a peer of Scotland or of Ireland, in the upper chamber of the imperial legislature at Westminster.

The committee is composed of the so-called law lords, that is to say, of peers who have held high judicial office, or who have served as attorneys-general, or the late Lord James, who had never been on the bench, but who had been attorney-general, ranked as a law lord on the Committee of Privileges. The latter is a peer of the United Kingdom, and is to be operated in the future under a charter granted to the Williams-McKethan Lumber Company by the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the charter providing a maximum capital of \$200,000, with some offices here.

Announcement is made at the home office here that all of the interests of the company will hereafter be operated under this charter. Instead of separate companies, some of which had North Carolina charters, Ernest Williams remains as president of the new company.

CUT ON FACE IS FATAL.

Alvin Wexler Dies from Wounds Inflicted by Charles Mitchell.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)—Bristol, Va., December 31.—Alvin Wexler, twenty-two years old, a prominent farmer, residing near Bristol, died to-day from loss of blood, due to being cut in the face by Charles Mitchell, forty-two years old. An artery was severed. Mitchell, who is a man of family, was locked up. He admitted to the Sheriff that he cut Wexler, and said that had he not been drinking it would not have occurred.

INVESTMENT OF INCREMENT.

Public Should Benefit, Says Connecticut Utilities Commission.

Hartford, Conn., December 31.—In the first annual report of the Connecticut Public Utilities Commission, the engagement of a public service company in any business "more or less foreign to the chartered purposes of the parent company" is condemned.

The commission declares: "We believe that the net income and profits of any public service company, after the payment of reasonable dividends, should be used for the improvement of the plant."

Pennacola to Issue Bonds.

Pennacola, Fla., December 31.—In a special election here it was decided to issue bonds amounting to \$400,000 for the construction of public wharves and a belt line railroad.

Have you seen the Monthly Income Policy of the PENN MUTUAL? We have that and many other desirable plans adapted to any age and need. O. W. Hughtell, Special Agent, 624 Mutual Building—(Advertisement.)

NEW HEADMASTER APPOINTED.

E. W. Hardy Accepts Position at Fork Union Academy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)—Fork Union, Va., December 31.—E. W. Hardy, of South Carolina, has accepted the position of headmaster of the Fork Union Military Academy, and will enter upon his duties at once. Mr. Hardy is a graduate of Furman University and of the University of Chicago, and has had several years' experience in teaching.

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